

MONTANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
UTILITY DIVISION
AGENDA NO. 04-01-13

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For Work Week Commencing: January 12, 2004
Commission Meeting: January 13, 2004, 9:00 a.m.

General Introduction This agenda is the Commission's Utility Division agenda for the work week designated. In the later part of each week (generally, Thursday by 2:00 p.m.) prior to the work week to which an agenda pertains, the agenda is posted on the public information bulletin board at the Commission offices, deposited in the mail directed to all persons who have properly requested notice by mail, emailed to all persons who have properly requested notice by email, and posted to the Public Service Commission's worldwide web site located at <http://www.psc.state.mt.us>.

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9:00 a.m. Weekly Scheduling (Commission Conference Room)

9:30 a.m. Business (Bollinger Room)

Public Comments

Action Items All items identified below are for action at the Commission business meeting.

Work Sessions All items identified below are for Commission discussion or action on the day designated.

1. FCC CC 96-45 - PSC - FCC Order on 10th Circuit Remand - Federal USF. (01/13/04)
2. D2003.7.86 - NorthWestern Energy - Annual QF Avoided Cost. (01/13/04)
3. D2003.10.151 - PSC - Gas Supply Acquisition Notice of Inquiry. (01/13/04)
4. NorthWestern Energy Bankruptcy - Placeholder to Get Direction on Any Matter Related to the Bankruptcy. (01/13/04)
5. Great Falls Tribune et al. v. PSC and Montana Power Company (NorthWestern Energy) - Discuss Supreme Court Decision. (01/13/04)

6. D2002.12.153 - Qwest Long Distance (QLD) - QLD Tariff. (01/13/04)

7. D2003.10.153 - Qwest Communications Corporation (QCC) - QCC Tariff. (01/13/04)

Other Meetings

01/14/04 7:30 a.m. - NorthWestern Energy Bankruptcy Court Hearing - Teleconference (Bollinger Room)

Weekly Scheduling - Will be held at 9:00 a.m. on the day of the Commission Meeting

Notice Items All items identified below are noticed for public participation purposes. Unless otherwise stated in the text of the notice, the items will be action items on the next following agenda or a subsequent agenda and participation may be had by submitting written comments to the Public Service Commission, 1701 Prospect Avenue, P.O. Box 202601, Helena, Montana, 59620-2601, within 5 calendar days following publication of this agenda. Public comments on a noticed matter may also be submitted within the required time through the PSC's web-based comment form at <http://psc.state.mt.us/PublicComment/PublicComment.htm>. Comments should reference the docket number of the matter.

1. Qwest Communications N2003.12.175 (Mike M.)

On December 17, 2003, Qwest filed Tariff Transmittal 03-36, to introduce Provisioning Agreement for Housing Development (PAHD) and Increase Extension Allowance. PAHDs replace Land Develop Agreements (LDAs). Under the PAHD, where a developer proposes to develop four or more living units, Qwest will provide facilities at no charge to serve each living unit up to a cap of \$740 per living unit. The developer pays costs over the \$740 cap times the number of living units. In addition, this filing increases the line extension allowance from .14 miles up to .2 miles at no cost to the customer.

Information Items All items identified below are for information only.

New Filings Received in Past Week

D2003.12.178 - Qwest Corporation and Airpeak Communications, LLC - Application for Approval of Interconnection Agreement